

**IDAHO BOARD OF MASSAGE THERAPY**  
**Bureau of Occupational Licenses**  
700 West State Street, P.O. Box 83720  
Boise, ID 83720-0063

**Board Meeting Minutes of 8/20/2012**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Gayla Nickel - Chair  
Brooke E Barnes  
Linda A Chatburn

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ione Springer  
Paul Weston

**BUREAU STAFF:** Tana Cory, Bureau Chief  
Cherie Simpson, Management Assistant  
Roger Hales, Administrative Attorney  
Helle Newton, Technical Records Specialist I

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tony Smith, Northwest Career College Federation  
Cindy Mason, Idaho School of Massage Therapy  
Suzie Lindberg, AMTA ID Chapter President  
Kris Ellis, Northwest Career College Federation

The meeting was called to order at 1:04 p.m. MDT by Gayla Nickel.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The Board continued to review the proposed rules, Code of Ethics, and Standards of Practice. The Board discussed continuing education hours and considered recommendations by the Association of Bodywork and Massage Professionals (ABMP) and the American Massage Therapy Association (AMTA). Ms. Barnes made a motion to approve the rules as amended and direct the Bureau to promulgate the rules and post to the web after approval by the Governor's Office. Ms. Chatburn seconded, motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The Board revisited the correspondence tabled from the last meeting from Marina Bates, inquiring about documentation of work hours and clarification of the grandfathering clause. The Board directed the Bureau to respond that the Board is developing rules and once the rules are approved they will be posted on the website and she should continue to monitor the website regularly.

The Board read correspondence from Gena Wikstrom, Executive Director of the Northwest Career Colleges Federation, regarding changing the minimum education requirement from 500 to 600 hours. It was discussed that the Board cannot change the law by rule. Tony Smith addressed the Board maintaining this will continue to be an issue, and the Board stated it may address this in the future.

The Board discussed correspondence from the Federation of State Massage Therapy Boards (FSMTB) regarding membership and the annual meeting. The first year of membership is complimentary, and thereafter the annual membership fee includes the cost of sending a delegate to the annual meeting. Additional delegates are welcome at the Board's expense. Ms. Barnes moved to join the FSMTB. It was seconded by Ms. Chatman, motion carried.

The Board reviewed correspondence from the city of Coeur d'Alene regarding coordination of licensing with the State. It was decided to research which cities require licensing for massage therapists and draft a letter for clarification regarding the change to State licensing. Ms. Chatburn volunteered to draft a letter to the cities, working with Ms. Hall, and Ms. Nickel volunteered to bring a list of the cities to the next Board meeting.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. MDT.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Ms. Barnes to adjourn the meeting at 3:13 p.m. MDT. It was seconded by Ms. Chatburn. Motion carried.

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Gayla Nickel, Chair

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